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GIVES DETAILS ON ESTABLISHMENT OF FAR EASTERN COMINFORM  
IN PEIPING, 5 AUGUST, WITH LIU SHAO-CH'I AS CHAIRMAN

According to the 25 September issue of the Tokyo Yomiuri Shimbun, quoting the Hong Kong Hsin-wen T'ien-ti, the Far Eastern Cominform was established in Peiping on 5 August 1951 under the leadership of Chinese and Soviet Communists. The 7 September issue of the Hong Kong Hsing-tao Jih-pao says that Liu Shao-ch'i heads the group. Although the Japanese newspaper article asserted that no branch offices would be established, the 20 September issue of the Hong Kong Hsing-tao Jih-pao, quoting KMT sources, asserts that branch offices have already been set up in India and Burma. It adds that these offices are headed by the respective Chinese ambassadors to those two countries.

FIRST ASIAN CONVENTION TO BE HELD IN NOVEMBER -- Tokyo, Yomiuri Shimbun,  
25 Sep 51

Hong Kong (Hsin-wen T'ien-ti) -- The FEC (Far Eastern Cominform) similar in organization to the European Cominform, was established in Peiping on 5 August 1951, under the leadership of the Soviet Union and Chinese Communists. The FEC will officially start operations after its statutes and operational program are decided upon at the First Asian Communist International Representatives Convention to be held on 1 November 1951.

At the inaugural ceremony of the FEC, Liu Shao-ch'i, Deputy Premier of the People's Republic of China, strongly emphasized "internationalism" as first advocated by Stalin. He said that the objective of the FEC is to unite the Marxist-Leninist countries in Asia and, at the same time, actively defend the Soviet Union, which is the Fatherland of the proletariat.

Thus, with the establishment of the FEC the nationalistic revolutionary movements in Asian countries have been unified under international Communism and have been made to pledge lasting allegiance to the USSR.

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The question of forming the FEC had been discussed often among the Communists in Asian countries since the establishment of the European Cominform. The Soviet Union, however, disapproved such a move on the ground that conditions in Europe and Asia are very dissimilar, which is to say that Asia was still in the midst of a nationalist revolutionary movement and had not reached the stage of international Communism.

The Soviet Union later reversed its stand when it decided that the Chinese Communists should intervene in the Korean War in August 1950. Deputy Prime Minister Molotov was sent to Peiping to urge the Chinese Communist authorities to swing from the nationalist revolutionary movement to the international proletarian revolutionary movement, which became the basis for the establishment of the FEC.

The situation in the Far East has become critical since the summer of 1951. Therefore, the Soviet Union decided to step up its plans for international Communism and establish the FEC. Liu Shao-ch'i was hurriedly summoned to the Kremlin in July 1951 and was instructed to form the FEC. Accompanied by more than ten Soviet Russians, he returned to Peiping and established the FEC on 5 August 1951.

Like its European counterpart, the FEC is responsible to the Central Executive Committee of the Communist International. The FEC will take over the job of the Eastern Operations Committee, which has been located in the Soviet Union, as well as take charge of directing the Communist parties in various Asian nations. The Eastern Operations Committee in the Soviet Union and the Far Eastern International United Front Committee in Peiping were abolished simultaneously with the establishment of the FEC.

The membership of the FEC includes the following:

China -- Liu Shao-ch'i and Ch'en Shao-yu; Japan -- Nozaka Sanzo and Kurahara Koretc; Viet Nam -- Cho Ko O and Koku Etsu; Soviet Union -- Yakovlev, former First Deputy Chairman of the Eastern Operations Committee, and Savanev, former Deputy Chairman of the Overseas Cultural Operations Committee; Burma -- Tsu Tan So and Thakin Rachon; North Korea -- Pak Sung-chang and Ch'oe Yong-kon; Mongolia -- Wuruniato. The members from the Philippines and Indonesia are unknown.

As stated previously, the operational program of the FEC will be decided at the First Asian Communist International Representatives Convention to be held on 1 November 1951. However, it has already been decided that no branch organizations will be established in various parts of Asia, but that training camps for the special agents will be established at Nan-ning, Ch'ang-ch'un, and Peiping. Special agents are being trained at present at those three camps.

SAYS FEC BRANCHES SET UP IN INDIA, BURMA -- Hong Kong, Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 20 Sep 51

T'ai-pei, 19 September -- According to Nationalist Army intelligence sources, the Cominform has recently set up operational headquarters in India and Burma, and has appointed the Chinese Communist ambassadors to these countries to head the branch organizations. The two ambassadors were given wide authority, including power to agitate and instigate armed rebellions.

Since the recent establishment of the FEC, of which Liu Shao-ch'i holds a responsible position, Communist propaganda and infiltration activities in Southeast Asia have increased tremendously.

According to the Chung-lien She, the two branch offices recently established in India and Burma take directions from Liu Shao-ch'i.

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LIU SHAO-CH'I HEADS FEC -- Hong Kong, Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 7 Sep 51

T'ai-pei, 6 September -- According to a recent report from KMT intelligence sources, Liu Shao-ch'i has been appointed head of the FEC. The organization of the FEC resulted in the expansion of activities and implementation of a new plan for the underground organizations in Hong Kong, Amoy, Singapore, Thailand, Viet Nam, the Philippines, Japan, and other places.

The same sources revealed that Ch'en Shao-yu was appointed chief, and Kawashima, Japanese Communist leader, deputy chief, of the FEC political Committee.

The FEC has set up a special agents' training school in the southern suburbs of Peiping, where 500 students are now undergoing intensive training. Thirty of the 500 trainees are Japanese, the same source reported.

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